

West Lexington Street, No. 308 (Commercial Building)
(Hochschild-Kohn Annex)
Baltimore (Independent City)
Maryland

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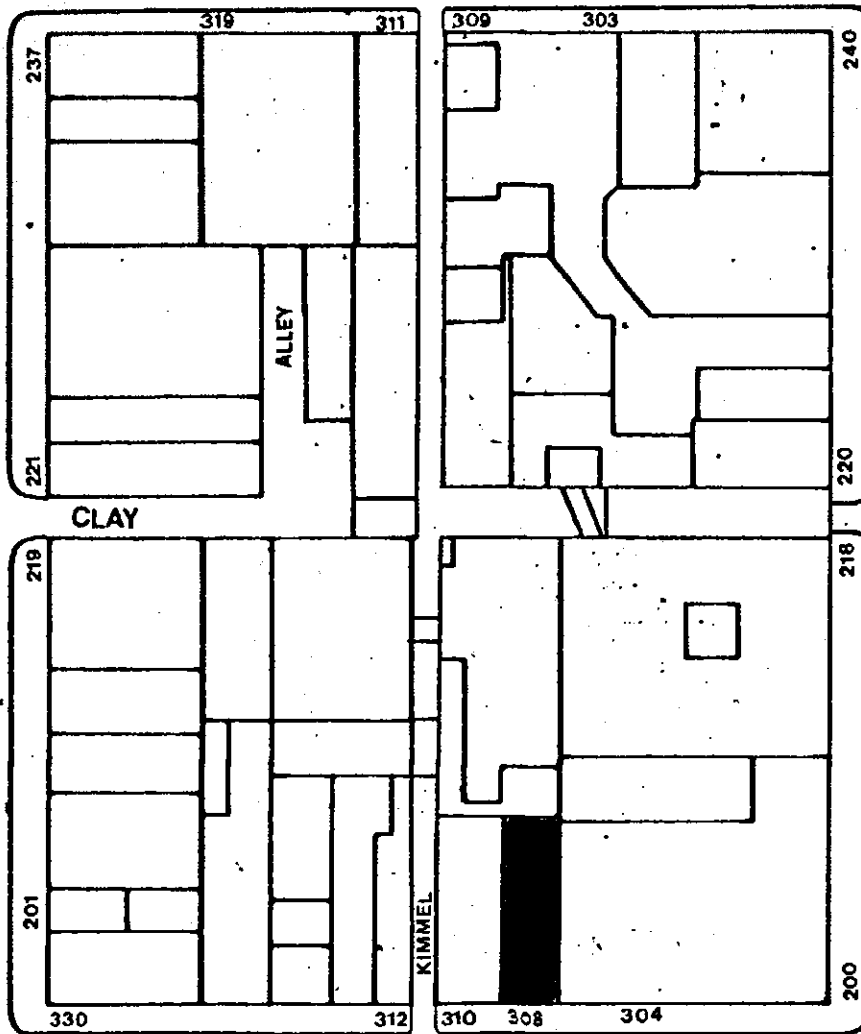
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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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STATE MARYLAND		COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY BALTIMORE (Independent City)
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Lexington Street, No. 308 (Commercial Building)			HABS NO. MD-77-H
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Hochschild-Kohn Annex			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 308 West Lexington Street, Baltimore, Maryland			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) c.1890 (Sanborn Atlas)		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The facade of this structure was redesigned in 1912 to conform with Hochschild-Kohn's main building contiguous to the east. It repeats the fenestration, round arched bay and Sullivanesque detailing, and is well related to the main building. Originally a retail shop. Part of HK complex			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Commercial with aspirations to Chicago Style			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick bearing walls, timber floor systems and floors, plaster on brick interiors, composition roof			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular plan, 27'x87', five-story, one bay 1-4th floors, 3 at fifth			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Second and third floors feature excellent three part projecting bay unit, with cast terra cotta spandrels. The bay terminates at the fourth floor with a round arch of cast terra cotta and carved key. Excellent string courses at third and fourth floor lines, cast frieze at fifth floor ceiling line.			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) All plans except fifth level opened as part of 1912 alterations for retail use. Nothing of architectural significance remains except minor staircase Deco elevator doors, and wood architrave trim at round arched opening, fourth floor. Pre 1912 rear wall w/ windows at fourth level.			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Front facade completely rebuilt in 1912 to match existing Hochschild-Kohn building at right. Interior gutted and replaced with drywall, flush doors etc., c.1950. New storefront, c.1950's			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Building is in fair condition, vacant since removal of parent Hochschild-Kohn late 1970's. Structural condition is sound			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE 308 West Lexington Street is included in the Baltimore Retail Historic District, determined eligible for the National Register.			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Baltimore Retail District nomination for NR; CBD West; Deed research			
COMPILER, AFFILIATION Russell Wright, AIA, consultant to Market Center Dev. Corp			DATE May, 1982

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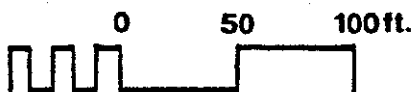
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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT:
BALTIMORE'S JOINT DEVELOPMENT/
VALUE CAPTURE PROGRAM:
BALTIMORE GARDENS

FIGURE

308 WEST LEXINGTON STREET



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SOURCE: DEPT. OF PLANNING

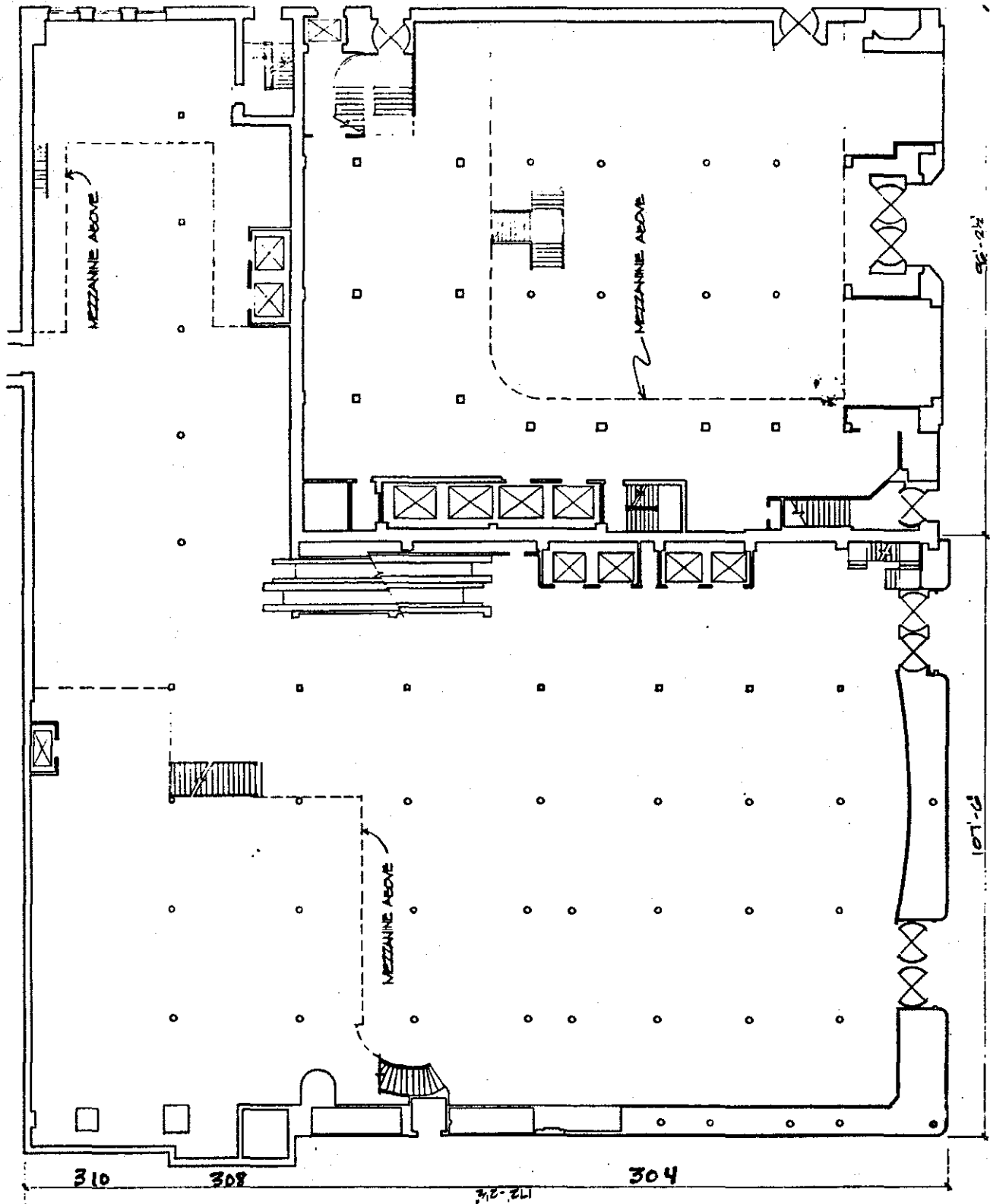
Fee Simple Title Chain

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Block 596, lot 2

- 1789 deed (9/15/1789) WG DD:592 John Eager Howard to Henry Peters
- 1842 deed (2/17/1842) TK 317:446 Henry Patterson & Fielder Israel,
Executors of Henry Peters to Elizabeth Myers, widow
- 1852 deed (12/18/1852) ED 27:379 Elizabeth Myers to John Mathias
- 1856 mortgage (10/28/1856) ED 114:517 Thomas Lee to John Mathias
- 1860 deed (10/5/1860) GES 198:77 Robert Gilmor, Jr., Trustee to
Thomas Lee (result of mortgage default)
- 1878 deed (9/19/1878) 820:410 Thomas & Harriett Lee to Ellen Turnbill
- 1880 deed (5/15/1880) 869:294 Ellen Turnbill to John Fefill
- 1898 deed (4/7/1898) 1727:387 Catherine Fefill Lewis (widow of John
Fefill and wife of Charles Jacob Lewis) to Edward H. Fowler
- 1898 deed (4/7/1898) 1727:388 Edward H. Fowler to Charles Jacob &
Catherine E. Lewis
- 1900 deed (10/12/1900) 1870:217 Charles Jacob Lewis & wife Catherine
to Kate A. Stram
- 1923 wills (1923) ERD 146:523 Kate Stram to Ida Stram
- 1924 deed (2/10/1924) 4148:433 Maurice Skinner, Trustee of Ida Stram to
Ida Stram Thomas
- 1981 deed (5/11/1981) 4047:078 Merchantile Safe Deposit & Trust Co.,
substitute Trustee of Ida M. Thomas to Mayor & City Council
of Baltimore

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FIRST FLOOR PLAN

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